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In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant hereby attaches U.S. Patent Office form PTO-1449, including copies of the literature prior art reference and the foreign prior art references listed therein. These references were cited in the PCT International Search Report dated February 15, 2005 of the corresponding PCT patent application and in related U.S. Applications. Enclosed also is a copy of the PCT International Search Report. Applicants are not submitting copies of the U.S. Patent reference(s)/U.S. Patent Publication(s) as the Office waived the requirement on July 11, 2003. Also enclosed is a copy of the PCT Written Opinion.

The claims in the present application are believed to be patentably distinguished over these references.

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information thus disclosed in fact constitutes prior art or that it is the closest prior art, inasmuch as 37 CFR §1.56(A) relies on a materiality concept which depends on subjectivity.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a copy of the Search Report and Written Opinion by a PCT examiner in which the references were cited. The relevance to the pending U.S. patent application is that the references were cited in a PCT patent application on the same subject matter. However, no independent analysis of the references, the accuracy of the statement of the PCT examiner or the claims of the PCT application under the laws of the country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made; the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the PCT examiner's comments submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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